



## **CITY OF LAWRENCE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES**

September 27, 2016

4:00 p.m.

Public Assembly Room

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Jerry Clifford, Bruce Kimery, Frank Sullivan Jr., and Bob Marien.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Economic Director Cam Starnes, Counsel Lauren Box, Department of Public Works Director William Anthony, and Jason Fenwick.

**Also present:** Chris Barnett (Lawrence CDC), Jessica Tower (Lawrence Chamber of Commerce), Judy Byron (Partnerships for Lawrence), Jim Higgins (London Witte), Tom Crouch, John Landy, Ed Apple, and Kent Jackson.

**CALL TO ORDER & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:** President Jerry Clifford called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and announced a quorum.

Mr. Starnes introduced the public hearing of Resolution No. 3-2016. A public meeting was declared open by Mr. Clifford and public comments were accepted from four individuals. Mr. Starnes provided clarification of the amendment and the public session was then closed.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Mr. Clifford asked the minutes from August 23, 2016 be approved. Mr. Sullivan made the motion; Mr. Marien seconded, and the minutes were accepted unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:** Claims were submitted for \$1,800.00. Mr. Starnes provided a description of the Claims. Mr. Kimery made a motion for approval thereof; Mr. Marien seconded the motion. The Commission approved unanimously.

### **STAFF REPORT:**

1. **Franklin Road project.** Handout of Statement of Revenue and Expense provided to the Commission. Public Notice dated 9/16/16 discussed and clarified by Mr. Anthony as an environmental submittal and part of the preliminary engineering.
2. **42<sup>nd</sup>/Post.** Mr. Starnes kept Commission updated that investment group expressed interest in Maison Gardens. Demolition versus rehab discussed for 42<sup>nd</sup> Street studio apartments.
3. **Little Raymond's Print Shop.** Mr. Starnes reported that he has been in contact with the CFO who confirmed their plans to stay in Lawrence. The company is experiencing continued growth with expansion and additional leasing of property being considered.
4. **Permanent Magnet Phase I assessment:** Consultant recommends further investigation on site. Contemplating Phase II investigation under EPA grant within the next 30-60 days. There are three groups, two of which are mechanical contractors, currently interested in the property.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Consider Confirmatory Resolution on Amendment to Pendleton Pike Allocation Area.** Mr. Sullivan made a motion to approve Resolution 3-2016; Mr. Marien seconded the motion. The Commission approved unanimously.
2. **Consider authority to negotiate short term agreement regarding use of 7602 Pendleton Pike by PaPa's Pancake House for overflow parking.** Mr. Starnes requested from Commission authority to grant a short-term agreement that PaPa's would indemnify the City of Lawrence for any use of the property. Details of agreement discussed to include future documentation of long term usage. Mr. Sullivan made a motion for approval and was seconded by Mr. Kimery. The Commission approved unanimously.
3. **Engagement for removal of tree from 7600 Pendleton Pike property.** Estimate from tree service company to remove and haul dead tree was approved. Mr. Sullivan made a motion for approval; Mr. Marien seconded. The Commission approved unanimously.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE RDC:**

1. Mr. Starnes was asked by the Commission for an update on the Holladay contract. Mr. Starnes noted that Jim Gutting from Corporation Counsel will review the contract upon his return and should be available sometime within the week.
2. Mr. Sullivan noted that members from last RDC meeting were present regarding the contract with Herron School of Art with interest in living up to the contractual obligations. Both Mr. Starnes and Judy Byron noted that they are looking for a copy of the contract. Moving forward Mr. Starnes agreed that the Redevelopment Commission will keep public art in the forefront of the planning process.

There being no other business to come before the Commission, Mr. Clifford concluded business of the meeting. Mr. Sullivan motioned for adjournment at 4:41 pm and Mr. Kimery and Mr. Marien both seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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Jerry Clifford, President

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Mary Jo Rothenbush, Recording Secretary

*These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussion held, with the exception of motions.*